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SUBJECT: KOREA QUESTION IN UNGA: KENYA POSITION

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1. KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO KENYA YEON RETURNED TO NAIRBI FROM NEW YORK NOVEMBER 2 AND CALLED ON ME NOVEMBER 3. HE HAS SPOKEN ALREADY WITH ATTORNEY GENERAL NJONJO AND MINISTER OF STATE IN PRESIDENT'S OFFICE KOINANGE IN EFFORT TO CLARIFY WHY KENYA ABSTAINED ON ALL THREE KOREA VOTES IN FIRST COMMITTEE, DESPITE VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO ME THAT PRESIDENT KENYATTA HAD DECIDED TO SUPPORT FRIENDLY RES. NEITHER NJONJO NOR KOINANGE WERE VERY ENCOURAGING; BOTH COMMENTED THAT THERE WAS SOME CONFUSION IN KENYATTA'S MIND BETWEEN UNGA ISSUE AND QUESTION OF OPENING NORHT KOREAN MISSION IN KENYA, WHICH HE HAS THRICE DISAPPROVED.

2. I OUTLINED OUR EFFORTS OF PAST TWO WEEKS, MOST OF WHICH FAMILIAR TO YEON THROUGH USUN. I TOLD YEON IT WAS PROBABLE THAT NO GOK OFFICIAL WISHED TO APPROACH KENYATTA AGAIN ON KOREA, AND THAT BEST CHANCE OF IMPROVING KENYA VOTE WOULD BE MEETING BETWEEN YEON AND CONFIDENTIAL

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KENYATTA. YEON DOUBTED HE COULD GET APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT, SINCE HE BELIEVED FOREIGN MINISTER WAIYAKI WOULD BLOCK REQUEST. YEON WAS NOT EVEN SURE HE COULD GET APPOINTMENT WITH WAIYAKI, BUT SAID HE WOULD TRY

SINCE THIS WAS FORMALLY THE RIGHT PLACE TO START LOB-
BYING AND HE HAS BEEN ADVISED BY NJONJO TO PRESENT HIS
CASE TO FONMIN.

3. YEON HAS AGREED TO BRIEF ME AFTER HIS MEETING WITH
WAIYAKI AND POSSIBLE SECOND MEETING WITH ATTORNEY GEN-
ERAL. HE SUGGESTS I APPROACH VICE-PRESIDENT MOI, WHICH
I INTEND TO DO AFTER HE HAS MADE HIS REPRESENTATIONS TO
WAIYAKI OR IN ANY CASE BEFORE END OF THIS WEEK. THESE
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